भारतीय गैस प्राधिकरण लिमिटेड की परियोजनायें

251. श्री गोपाल सिंह ज़ी0 सोलंकी: क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) एशियाई विकास बैंक द्वारा भारतीय गैस प्राधिकरण लिमिटेड का पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान वर्षवार इसकी विभिन्न परियोजनाओं के लिए दिए गए ऋण का ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ख) उक्त अवधि के दौरान उपरोक्त संस्थान द्वारा की गयी सहायता सेकिन-किन परियोजनाओं का विकास किया गया है ;

(ग) वे कौन-कौन सी नयी परियोजनाऐं हैं जिनके लिए भारतीय गैस प्राधिकरण लि. ने 1994-95 के दौरान एशियाई विकास बैंक से ऋण की मांग की है और यह ऋण कितनी धनराशि का है ; और

(घ) इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है ?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (कैप्टन सतीश शर्मा) : (क) से (घ) एशियाई विकास बैंक ने गैस सुधार तथा विस्तार परियोजना हेतु गैस अथारिटी आफ इंडिया लि० के लिए 260 मि० अमरीकी डालर ऋण अनुमोदित कर दिया है। 1 मई, 1994 में ऋण करार हस्ताक्षरित किया गया था। एच बी जे पाइपलाइ न की क्षमता 18. 2 एम एम एस सी एम डी से बढाकर 33.4 एम एम एस सी एम डी करने के संबध में इस ऋण का उपयोग किया जाएगा।

Joint venture between HPCL and Oman Oil Company

252. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have cleared the joint venture between Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited and Oman Oil Company for grassroot refinery in Maharashtra;

(b) if so, what are the details of the joint venture; and

(c) by when the work on the joint venture is expected to begin and by when the project is likely to be commissioned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) to (c) The Government of India has approved the formation of a joint venture company by Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) and Oman Oil Company Limited for a 6 MMTPA which each of the Company will have an equity participation of 26 percent of the ultimate project cost on a debt equity ratio of 3:1. The location of the above refinery has been decided at Deoghar, District Ratnagiri, Maharashtra. The Joint Venture Company has been registered on 4.3.1994. Detailed Feasibility Report is expected by the end of September, 1994 for investment decision.

Inventory norms for petroleum units

253. PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any norms have been laid down for levels of stocks of stores and spares, in terms of days consumption, for units under the administrative control of the Ministry;

(b) if so, the details and basis thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that there have been large inventories of stores and spares, upto a year's consumption requirement in some of the units including in HPC Ltd. and IOC Ltd; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the circumstances leading to holding

of large inventories and action taken to bring down the inventories with results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) to (d) The Oil Companies have laid down certain internal norms based on operating experience, actual average procurement lead time, consumption pattern and safeguards for uninterrupted operations etc.

The Oil Companies maintain inventories due to certain specific circumstances such as:—

(i) Multidisciplinary activities and the requirement of variety of equipment.

(ii) Rapid change in technology.

(iii) Long lead time for imported items.

(iv) Operational requirement.

The inventory levels are regularly reviewed and monitored at the unit, regional and Headquartrs levels and corrective measures taken wherever necessary.

Contract between ONCC and private sector for Oil Exploration

254. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government and the Oil and Natural Gas Commission have signed production sharing contract with a number of private sector firms;

(b) if so, the details of the agreement held with the private firms, firmwise;

(c) the locations where oil exploration works would be undertaken; and

(d) to what extent the target of oil exploration is likely to be achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) Government have approved the finalisation of five production sharing contracts in the Fourth Round of bidding for exploration for oil and gas.

(b) and (c) The companies which have been approved for award of contracts are Albion International Resources, USA, Pan Energy Resources, USA, Vaalco Energy, USA, Coplex Resources, Australia, Pan, Pacific Petrolaeum, Australia, Niko Resources, Canada, Shell Netherlands, Hindustan Oil Exploration Company, India, Mafatlal Industries, India, Tata Petrodyne, India and Transasia Consultants, India. These companies would be carrying out exploration work in blocks located in the Rajasthan, Pranhita-Godavari and Gujarat-Kutch onshore basins and the Krishno-Godavari and Cauvery offshore basins.

(d) Production of oil or gas from these blocks would depend on the establisment of hydrocarbon reserves.

Committee on Gas Shrinkage

255. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up a Committee to define norms for gas shrinkage;

(b) if so, the composition of the Committee;

(c) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Commission and Gas Authority of India Limited which drill for crude production as well as process to varying degrees for different and users causing the volume of gas to strink;

(d) if so, the steps Government propose to take to check shrinkage by both oil companies; and